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Applicant(s): Yasuo OHDAIRA et al

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For : LASER SCANNING MICROSCOPE

Art Unit : 2878

Examiner : Shun K. Lee

AMENDMENT

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Responsive to the Office Action dated April 19, 2002, the term for response to which is extended two months by Petition filed concurrently herewith to September 19, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 3, 4, 7, 8 and 11-13 as follows (see the attachment for details of the amendment):

1. (Amended) A laser scanning microscope comprising:
- a pulse laser oscillator configured to oscillate a pulse laser beam to excite a sample;
 - a scanning mirror configured to scan the pulse laser beam;
 - a photodetector configured to detect light from the sample and output an electric signal;

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